

ST. ISIDORE the FARMER PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION HANDBOOK



PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parishioners of Saint Isidore Parish, gather to provide opportunities to witness, celebrate and proclaim the Word of God. Our mission is to nourish others through outreach, education and worship so they may grow in faith, commitment and love. We look forward to a time of change and growth in the Spirit, confident in the God who calls and strengthens us.

FAMILY PARTICIPATION/RESPONSIBILITIES

It is particularly in the Christian family, enriched by the grace and office of the sacrament of matrimony, that children should be taught from their early years to have a knowledge of God according to the faith received in Baptism, to worship Him, and to love their neighbor. Let parents, then, recognize the inestimable importance a truly Christian family has for the life and progress of God's own people. (Declaration on Christian Education, Vatican II, 1965)

St. Isidore Parish is proud to partner with Christian families teaching future generations to walk with God. As part of that team, we provide prayer, classes, activities, and opportunities for service. We ask families to participate by praying often, attending liturgy together regularly, making a Bible available at home, and supporting the Religious Education program through a cooperative attitude and by expressing interest in what children are learning.



ATTENDANCE

Absences and late arrivals disrupt lessons and the limited time we have with students. If a student will be absent, please call the Rel. Ed. Office: 920-753-3311 ext. 14, or St. Joseph School Office: 920-999-3131.

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<u>Grade</u>	<u># of Absences</u>	<u>Consequence</u>
1 - 8	4	1 Catch-Up Class
1 - 8	5 or 6	2 Catch-Up Classes
9 - 10	3	1 Catch-Up Class
11	1	1 Catch-Up Class

Catch-Up Classes will be held in April after regular scheduled classes have finished.

Any absences beyond what is listed will necessitate a family discussion with the Director and Pastor.



INITIATION SACRAMENTS

Students preparing for 1st Reconciliation, 1st Eucharist, or Confirmation must attend religious education classes for a full year PRIOR to the sacrament year. Those entering during a traditional sacrament year will celebrate the sacrament(s) in the following year.



CANCELLATIONS

In case of inclement weather or other emergency situations, cancellation of classes will be announced over the radio on WTMJ 620am, and on the television and website of NBC Channel 26 Green Bay (nbc26.com).



EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

In the event of a medical emergency:

1. Minor injuries will be treated on scene.
2. For more major injuries/illnesses, parents will be notified for their attendance to the matter.
3. If it is a life-threatening injury, the Pastor or Director reserve the right to seek immediate appropriate aid. Parents will be notified as soon as possible.

Parents should make the parish or Director aware of any conditions requiring special attention or treatment.



WEBSITE

Please visit the parish website: holylandcatholicparishes.org
You can keep up on parish news and events, read the latest bulletin, download the Religious Education schedule, email staff, and find a link to our facebook page!



BEHAVIOR CODE



1. Respect the feelings, body, & property of St. Isidore employees, catechists, and students at all times.
2. Participate through active listening, following directions, and appropriate contributions and questions.
3. No food, drinks, candy, gum, toys, friends, etc. unless approved by the teacher.
4. No use of electronic equipment (iPods, cellphones, games, etc.).
5. Offensive language and fighting/violent behavior is never appropriate or tolerated.

****Each class may also develop its own additional rules.****

Students will be disciplined as follows:

1. First offense - discussion with student & teacher immediately after class. If the offense required removal from class, the Director will also take part in the discussion.
2. Second or more serious offense - a written note sent home to the student's parents to be signed and returned by the next class period. Parents are expected to discuss the offense with their child.
3. Third or severe offense - a written notification to parents, followed by a conference with the student, teacher, Director and/or the Pastor or Christian Formation Committee.

Continual disruptive behavior may result in a suspension from classes/activities.